

## **Listing of Claims**

## Claims 1-13: Canceled.

- 14. (currently amended) A dispenser of objects comprising a body (1) forming a reservoir (2) for storing objects (8) to be dispensed, an outlet passage (22) for said objects arranged at an end of the reservoir (2), a returned translation means (12), which has a calibrated an opening (17), and is comprised of a deformable elastomer membrane for performing a reciprocating movement with respect to the reservoir (2), and, cooperating with a thrust means protrusion (18), releases a determined number of objects (8) to a receptacle (23) with each outward and return stroke of translational movement.
- 15. (currently amended) The dispenser according to claim 14, wherein the thrust means protrusion (18) comprises a fixed element situated toward the outlet passage (22) near where the object or objects (8) to be dispensed lie, and in proximity to the returned translation means (12) which may move alternately closer to and away from the fixed element, wherein the fixed element pushes said object or objects (8) to be dispensed as the returned translation means (12) moves closer to the fixed element.
- 16. (currently amended) The dispenser according to claim 14, wherein the calibrated opening (17) has a diameter slightly smaller than the diameter of the object (8), and wherein the calibrated opening (17) comprises a flexible lip (17a) to allow the object to pass.
- 17. (currently amended) The dispenser according to claim 14, wherein the returned translation means (12) is in the form of a flexible cup, the edge of which is fixed to the end of the reservoir (2), and is comprised of a flexible

membrane that can may be deformed elastically when a force is applied to allow reciprocating translational movement.

## 18. (canceled)

- 19. (currently amended) The dispenser according to claim 15, wherein the fixed element is an elongate piece secured to the end of the body (1) and is placed facing the calibrated opening (17) in the returned translation means (12).
- 20. (previously presented) The dispenser according to claim 19, wherein the fixed element has a chamfered face (19) and a cut end to impart a concavity (21) tailored to the shape and size of the object to be dispensed.
- 21. (currently amended) The dispenser according to claim 15, wherein the fixed element and the <del>calibrated</del> opening (17) in the returned <del>translational</del> translation means (12) are arranged centrally with respect to the end of the reservoir (2).
- 22. (previously presented) The dispenser according to claim 15, wherein the outlet passage (22) for said objects is defined by the interior face of the returned translation means (12) and by the exterior surface (19) of the fixed element.
- 23. (previously presented) The dispenser according to claim 14, wherein the receptacle (23) receives the dispensed object or objects (8), and also functions as a cap.
- 24. (currently amended) The dispenser according to claim 14, wherein the receptacle (23) slides with respect to the reservoir (2) and has one or more

internal projections (28) which press against, push, and elastically deform the returned translation means (12) toward the thrust means protrusion (18).

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- 25. (previously presented) The dispenser according to claim 14, further comprising a removable safety device (29), to prevent access to the returned translation means and to prevent any movement of said returned translation means (12).
- 26. (previously presented) The dispenser according to claim 14, to dispense pills, tablets or sweeteners.